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Social and Personal

Miss Broughton, of Trenton, N. J., who arrived yesterday to visit Mrs. Katherine Gunn at her home on West Franklin Street, will be guest of honor at a very pretty little dinner given by Mrs. Gunn at the Country Club this evening.

Miss Lena Miller, a debutante of the season, will be entertained at a dinner party this evening by Mrs. Virginia Haskins at "Meadow Brook," the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Jeffers, near this city.

Intimations Out.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cumberland Fisher, of Exeter, N. J., have issued invitations for the marriage of their daughter, Miss Sue Lewis Richmond, to Dr. Carlos Curtis Hudson, both of this city. The ceremony will take place at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. E. C. Fisher, in Paterson, N. J., on Monday, December 23.

Judge and Mrs. T. B. Wright, of Tappanhook, have issued cards for the wedding of their daughter, Charlotte Barnes, to Dr. Frank Garnett Scott, the wedding to be celebrated on the evening of December 23, at 8 o'clock, in St. John's Church at Tappanhook. A large number of Richmond relatives and friends will go to Tappanhook for Miss Wright's wedding.

Washington Debutante.

A Washington exchange of recent issue contains the following of interest to society in Richmond:

"Miss Elizabeth Ruth Porter made her bow to society Thursday after-

noon at an old-fashioned and delightful reception given by her mother, Mrs. J. Biddle Porter, and her grandmother, Mrs. Andrew Porter, at the family residence in 1 Street.

The fine old house was especially decorated for the occasion by a series of flowers, many of them bouquets sent the debutante. An orchestra played during the afternoon.

"Mrs. Porter wore a handsome gown of black velvet trimmed with point lace, and her daughter, Mrs. J. Biddle Porter, also wore a black gown trimmed with lace. Miss Elizabeth Porter was dressed in white, charming, and she carried a bouquet of white roses and orchids.

"Mrs. Thomas Chatham and Mrs. A. J. Parsons presided at the tea table in the dining-room. Mrs. Rebekah Wilmer, Miss Alice Brice, and Miss Margaretta Porter and Miss Catherine Porter, sisters of the debutante, assisted in receiving the guests, among whom were Mrs. George Howard, Mr. William Holland Wilmer, Mrs. Robert Hinkley, Miss Gladys Hinkley, the Misses Finley, Miss Alice Goodwin, Miss Julia Whiting, Miss Natalie Magruder, Dr. Chatham, Dr. and Mrs. Lee Phillips, the Misses Fitch, Miss Cary Crawford, Dr. and Mrs. Monroe Hopkins, Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Mauro, Brigadier General and Mrs. Mordecai, Dr. and Mrs. William H. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stead, Dr. G. Lloyd Magruder and Miss Pauline Magruder."

Dance for Younger Set.

There will be an informal hop for the members of the younger society set at the Dutch Tea Room this afternoon from half-past 5 o'clock until 7 o'clock. The dances are very attractive affairs, and will be continued every Wednesday and Saturday afternoon until after the holidays are over.

Hill-Inglis.

"Revere," near Radford, the home of Captain William Ingles, was the scene of a beautiful wedding, when Miss Katherine McClanahan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Lewis Ingles, of Pulaski County, became the bride of William Palmer Hill, of Richmond, Thursday at 3 o'clock. The parlors and reception hall were decorated in holly, English ivy, American Beauty roses and sprays of evergreen.

The bride, gowned in white, carried a bouquet of white roses, entering on the arm of her father to the strains of the wedding march, rendered by Mrs. J. Lewis Ingles, of Roanoke, and was met in the hall at the foot of the winding stair by the groom and his man, Frank Dean Hill.

The matron of honor, Mrs. Gordon Roberts, bride of two weeks, cousin of the bride, was carried in her wedding gown and carried pink carnations. The maid of honor, Miss Julia Harvey Ingles, sister of the bride, wore a gown of white Bohemian lace, colored ribbon bowknot trimmings and carried bouquets of pink carnations. The ribbon bearers were Misses Margaret Wade, of Christiansburg; Margaret Tremlinger, of "Meadow Creek"; and Misses Elrica and Minnie Ingles, sisters of the bride, were gowned in white Bohemian lace, colored ribbon bowknot trimmings and carried bouquets of pink carnations.

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Mrs. D. Lawrence Granger entertained Wednesday afternoon at an elaborate card party at her residence in Norfolk, given in honor of her sister, Mrs. Frederick Louis Bruce, who is now residing in Norfolk.

The drawing-rooms were attractively decorated for the occasion with clusters of American Beauty roses and ferns. Bridge was played, and a prize, a dainty quilted silk cravat holder, was given at each table. There were twelve tables, and those invited to meet Mrs. Bruce were Mrs. Francis C. Stelmets, Mrs. D. S. Burwell, Mrs. John N. Vaughan, Mrs. P. M. Kilham, Mrs. C. Brooks Johnson, Mrs. William Harahan, Mrs. Richard McIlwaine, Mrs. Tench Tilghman, Mrs. Percy Wilson, Mrs. Lester Wilson, Mrs. Montgomery Osborne, Mrs. Hugh W. Davis, Mrs. J. Saunders Taylor, Mrs. Lee Taylor, Mrs. W. B. Baldwin, Mrs. J. J. McCormick, Mrs. Walter Herron Taylor, Mrs. John Tilton, Mrs. Alfred P. Thoms, Jr., Mrs. Rufus Parks, Jr., Mrs. Randolph Cooke, Mrs. Alan Hancock, Mrs. Henry Baker, Mrs. J. Leighton Hubard, Mrs. James McCaw, Mrs. John F. Marshall, Mrs. Richard Cornelius Taylor, Mrs. Harry N. Coates, Mrs. Walter H. Taylor, Jr., Mrs. Arthur Stansbury, Mrs. Gus Friebus, Mrs. Percy Stephenson, Mrs. Ben Baker, Mrs. Guy Davis, Mrs. Howard Shield, Mrs. Hugh Nelson Page, Mrs. Menalcus Lankford, Mrs. A. C. Dillingham, Mrs. P. H. Brumby, Mrs. Talbot Truxton, Mrs. Nathaniel Green, Mrs. Arthur Humphreys, Mrs. Joseph W. Harris, Edward Brockborough, Mrs. Harry L. Myers, Mrs. Hugh G. Whitehead, Misses Bland Taylor, Katherine Dickson and Nina Jones, Mrs. Wallace Starke and Mrs. Richard D. Cooke.

In and Out of Town.

Mrs. Carl Boschen will leave on Monday for California, where she will spend the next two months visiting her mother.

Miss Bettie Forshaw, of Baltimore, is the guest of Mrs. Charles Spicer, on Floyd Avenue.

Major James H. Dooley has returned to "Maymont" after a short stay with relatives in Staunton.

Miss Katherine Long, of Fredericksburg, is spending the week-end with Misses Bessie and Marie Cummins, in this city.

Miss Goldie Walhall has returned to her home near Farmville after a visit to friends in Richmond.

Mrs. Moncure, of Williamsburg, is in the city, where she will spend several days visiting friends.

Mrs. Joseph E. Taylor and Miss Elizabeth Taylor, of "Woodland," near Danville, are stopping at the Jefferson Hotel.

Miss Jennie Venable, of Farmville, is spending some time in this city as the guest of relatives.

Mrs. C. C. Rothwell, of Albemarle County, who was operated on at St. Luke's Hospital last week, is now improving.

Miss Gertrude Britt has returned to her home in Albemarle, after spending a week in Richmond.

Colonel Forsyth Here.

Colonel W. Forsyth, First Cavalry, U. S. A., stationed at the Presidio, near San Francisco, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. E. R. Warner McCabe, at the home of Colonel W. Gordon McCabe, 405 East Cary Street.

Prof. Shannon at Davidson.

Davidson, N. C., December 12.—Prof. Thos. W. Shannon, of Ohio, one of America's foremost lecturers on vital, social and reform topics, has just closed a series of lectures on heredity and sex hygiene at Davidson College. Prof. Shannon is a member of the advisory board of the World's Federation of Youth.

Practical Xmas Gifts for Men

Bath Robes, \$5.00 values, \$3.98.

Smoking Jackets, all wool, \$6.00 value, \$4.98.

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RECEIVED ANOTHER OFFER OF THRONE

Bulgaria Wanted King Charles of Rumania as Its Sovereign.

BY LA MARQUESE DE FONTENAY.

King Charles of Rumania received an offer of the throne of Bulgaria in 1887 from the Bulgarian regency and legislature.

which latter was practically unanimous in approving of the offer, is a fact not generally known, but which it is interesting to call to public attention.

At the present moment, when Rumania is putting forward claims to territorial compensation which can only be satisfied at the expense of Bulgaria.

In 1887 the Bulgarians, moved by the success achieved by King Charles in converting Rumania into a power of great military, political and above all economic importance, recalling too the leading role which he had played ten years previously in their war of emancipation from Turkish rule, were eager to have him as their sovereign after the abdication of Prince Alexander of Battenburg.

Their idea was that there should be a dynastic union between Bulgaria and Rumania, somewhat of the same kind which exists between Austria and Hungary, and that Charles should be monarch of both countries, dividing his time between them.

In fact, that there should be some sort of an arrangement such as that which existed between Norway and Sweden, which the succession of the former.

But both King Charles and his people declined to consent to this proposition, which if accepted, might have averted the present war in the Balkans, and was only after this that the Bulgarian regency, headed by Stambouloff, began hawking their throne around Europe.

Soberly, after disappointments in many quarters, securing a willing candidate in Ferdinand of Coburg.

Rumania will not hear of Bulgarian aggrandizement at the expense of Turkey, unless it herself receives territorial compensation so as to maintain the proper balance of power in the Balkans.

And since the Bulgarian army has been decimated and is utterly exhausted and would be unable to offer any resistance to speak of to the still more magnificently trained and perfectly equipped Rumanian army of near 400,000 men, they doubt but that King Ferdinand will have to give way to Rumanian pretensions and to abandon a considerable strip of Bulgarian territory to Rumania in return for the latter's having refrained from taking up arms in behalf of Turkey in the recent struggle.

Mme. de Thebes, the well known Parisian seeress, who has predicted so many events, notable among them the assassination of King Humbert of Italy, and the death of Edward VII., insists that the outlook for 1913 is extremely gloomy.

Germany, according to her, will be involved in a war, most disastrous war in which Austria will also be concerned, while the dual empires will be robbed by death of its venerable sovereign and will be succeeded, not by the present heir apparent, Archduke Francis Ferdinand, but by a much younger man, presumably Archduke Charles Francis, whose wife, Archduchess Zita, has just given birth to her first son.

For England Mme. de Thebes likewise predicts the death of the sovereign—the young Prince of Wales no doubt—who will ascend the throne "amidst many tears." Great Britain will in 1912, according to Mme. de Thebes, meet the greatest crisis of her naval history with success, but will be much torn by internal dissension. She predicts the restoration of ex-Sultan Abdul Hamid to Turkey during the next twelve months and a great political cataclysm in Russia, from which will emerge entirely new men and new conditions.

Mme. de Thebes prophesies a new king and a new Pope in Italy in 1912, also that an attempt will be made—presumably by the triple alliance—to force Italy into a conflict with France. But at the last moment Italy will realize the mistake she is making and will join hands with France, appreciating that any other policy would be fatal to her. For Spain and for Portugal Mme. de Thebes predicts the overthrow of the existing regimes in 1912 and altogether new systems of government.

For France Mme. de Thebes prophesies great financial and political crises during the coming year and likewise a radical change in existing political conditions, largely brought about by a movement which will have its origin in Lyons and in that great industrial center, Germany, France will not take the form of any monarchical restoration, but rather that of the decentralization of government, with the formation of a federation of provinces.

store for 1913, for looking forward to the coming year with much misgiving.

Henry John Bigham, recently appointed to membership of the Board of Education of New York City, born in New York, educated at Columbia and a member of the bar and of the Wall Street firm of Harrington, Bigham & Englar, admiralty lawyers, is a nephew of Lord Mersey, the eminent English judge who presided over the government inquiry in London into the Titanic disaster. But the New York papers are wrong in assuming that he is in the line of succession to his uncle